2023 Volunteer Training

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Ohio 4-H Volunteer Training Competencies

- 1) Communication
- -2) Organization



Our 2023 Focus!

- 3) Program Management
- 4) Positive Youth Development
- 5) Education Design & Delivery
- 6) Interpersonal Characteristics



Happy Kick-Off Day!

- *Retaining our youth membership
- *What makes a meeting successful?
- *Program Updates



Meetings Matter – But Why?

- In 2015 a fellow colleague in Franklin County took a survey of First Year 4-H Members
 - 20% of these First-Year Members felt unwelcomed, somewhat unwelcomed or indifferent in their club meetings
 - It was statistically significant that the more welcome the first year 4-H member felt, the more likely they were to enroll in 4-H the following year

Meetings Matter – But Why?

 While participation in 4-H programs overall is increasing, Ohio 4-H is losing an average of 1,875 kids per year in 4-H community clubs.

Reasons for Leaving

- Didn't feel connected to other youth
- Didn't feel welcome
- 4-H isn't for "kids like me"
- Parents or advisors in club don't get along
- Limited transportation
- I didn't know when my club met.

Meetings Matter – But Why?

- What keeps youth coming to club meetings?
 - They are having fun
 - They are with friends and/or making new friends
 - They are learning new things
 - They are given choices
 - They are empowered to make group decisions
 - They can make a difference [and provide service]





Let's break it down....

1. Communication

Expectations aren't clearly laid out to members.

2. Understanding

 4-H can be a foreign language to those who are new to the club or don't come from a 4-H family.

3. Boredom

Meetings can be very boring.

4. Unwelcoming

Kids prefer to feel part of the group.





Communication

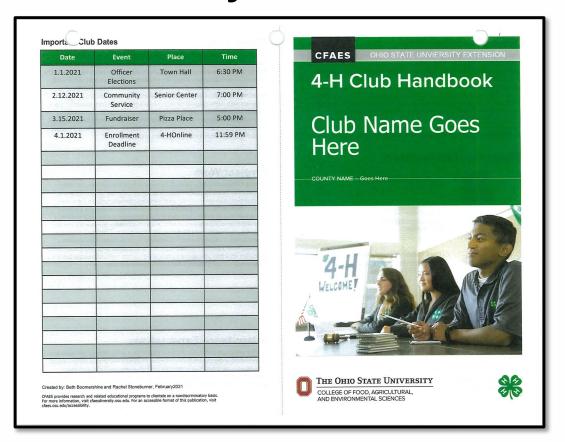
- Emails/Newsletter Know your audience.
 Include details in your email.
- Social Media Draw attention of emails.
 Utilize pictures & links.
- Texts Short reminders to check emails or websites or to remind about deadlines.
- Website compiles all of the club's resources and information.
- Handouts Great for in-person meetings!





Communication

Do you have a Club Handbook?



Welco...e to the club!

Insert a welcorning message and overview of your club here. Aboriassit quis minvel eatque digenihil maxim volectem. Et eaquia velita volut tetrion sequiu illesequia plandit omnit, que maiosam, ommos sequo qui dis et ea nietur, nonsendit parum susciet es necaectem esequia eperia qui omnisit ioriora nem ut que modisciilo comnihil molo et omnim excestibusti aut abo. Natempo rerunditias eossiti aruptat ut elesto cuptatem que sus, sum ut uta eosapis velest idem fugiasi ommolup isquia sinvel moluptae laccusant fugia secest, quam, tessum experch ilicipsandam res andaepello blaccaeceate verumquiam doluptatur, ut inum sa dolori dolorrovidus simet dem quisquid et aliquiam etus sunt voloreptae ea cus dita doloriost, volo dolenectas doluptius cullaborepro volorum faccabi inctia sam quista ut et aditi.

Meet your Club Advisors



 Chris Clover – Organizational Advisor <u>chrisclover4444@gmail.com</u> 555-555-5555



 Chris Clover – Cloverbud Advisor <u>chrisclover4444@gmail.com</u> 555-555-5555



 Chris Clover – Livestock Advisor <u>chrisclover4444@gmail.com</u> 555-555-5555



 Chris Clover – Sewing Resource Advisor <u>chrisclover4444@gmail.com</u> 555-555-5555

Club Dues and County Activity Fees

- The club has dues of \$ Dues are used for...
- There is an annual county activity fee of \$___. This fee is used to help offset the cost of countywide programming.
- Your club dues and activity fees should be submitted to the club treasurer by this date _______.

Cloverbuds

Insert a message about how your club's Cloverbud program works. Aboriassit quis minuel eatque digenihil maxim volectem. Et eaquia veitia volut eturion sequis illesequia plandit ormit, que maiosam, ommos sequo qui dis et ea nietur, nonsendit parum susciet es necaectem esequia eperia qui omnisit ioriora nem ut que modiscillo comnihil molo et omnim excestibusti aut abo. Natempo rerunditias eossiti aruptat ut elesto cuptatem que sus, sum ut uta eosapis velest idem fugiasi ommolup isquia sinvel moluptae laccusant fugia secest, quam, tessum experch ilicipsandam res andaepello blaccaeceate verumquiam doluptatur, ut inum sa dolori dolorrovidus simet dem quisquid et aliquiam etus sunt voloreptae ea cus dita doloriost, volo dolenectas doluptius cullaborepro volorum faccab incita sam quist aut et adita:

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Understanding

How can we, as volunteers, help families better understand the 4-H lingo?



- New Family Coordinator This person can be in charge of bridging the gap in information for new families.
- Club Orientation/ Parent Meeting Focus on sharing club information that will be important to know throughout the year.
- Club Handbook A resource for all club families to have an overview of club policies and procedures.
- Member Survey Can be used for member evaluation and program planning.

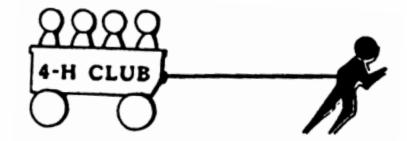


So what kind of leader are you?

a. Us - and - Our Club



c. Leader Out In Front Club



b. Leader Alongside Club



d. Hand-off Club



Beat the Boredom!

MEETINGS MATTER



Pre-Meeting Activity

Business Meeting

15-20 Minutes

- · Allows time for advisors to meet with officers
- Creates a welcoming environment
- · Members get to know one another
- Engages everyone
- Reduces chaos

GROUP BUILDING

- Prepared & led by recreation officer
- Fun and interactive
- Includes everyone (even parents!)
- · Add a snack for social time

15-20 Minutes

Recreation







PROGRAMS ACTIVITIES

15-20 Minutes

- Well planned prior to meeting
- Utilizes parliamentary procedure
- Follows an agenda
- Led by club officers
- · Stays on topic
- Send prolonged discussion to committee for recommendations
- Guest Speaker
- Demonstrations
- Field Trips/Tours
- Community Service
- Project Work
- Video

40-60 Minutes

Education

Pre-Meeting Activity

15-20 Minutes

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Pre-Meeting Activity

- Examples
 - Ice Breakers

Timely Tip!

Ask safety, health, & environmental officers to plan & facilitate pre-

meeting activities

- Scavenger Hunt
 - Family Guide Hunt
- Game
 - Rock, Paper, Scissors
- Song
 - Camp Songs
- Challenge
 - How many words can be made with scrambled letters of the club/'s name?



Business Meeting

GROUP DECISIONS



15-20 Minutes

- Well planned prior to meeting
- Utilizes parliamentary procedure
- Follows an agenda
- Led by club officers
- Stays on topic
- Send prolonged discussion to committee for recommendations

Business Meeting

MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT

1. Parliamentary Procedure

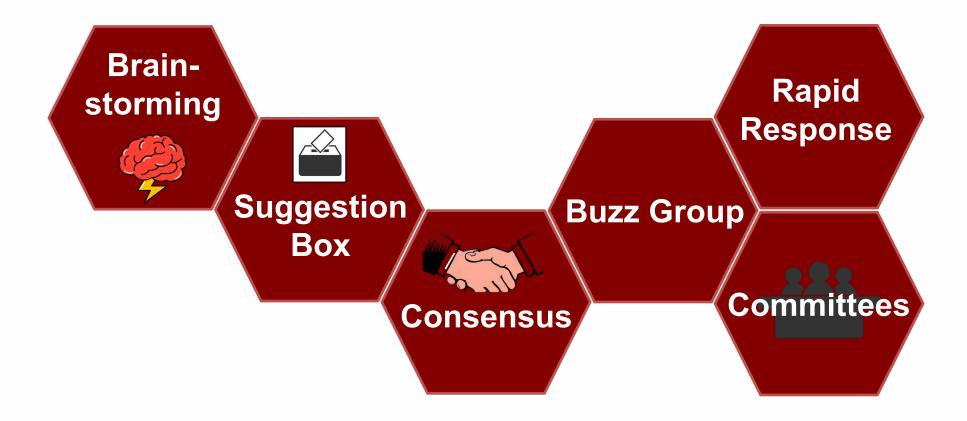
2. Committee Work

- Send long discussions to committee. Create a committee if needed.
- Prepare, prepare, PREPARE!





Group Decision Making Methods





Benefits of Committees

- Allow members of large clubs to have a chance at leadership opportunities
- Give members an opportunity to get to know each other better
- Spread responsibility among the club
- Business meetings will be shorter if committees hash out the details and bring a recommendation to the club





- Guest Speaker
- Demonstrations
- Field Trips/Tours
- Community Service
- Project Work
- Video

40-60 Minutes

Education

Education

Examples:

- Project Demonstrations
- Health/Safety/Environmental Officer Program
- Field Trips/Tours
- Guest Speakers
- Community Service
- Mini-Project Clinics
- Club-Recognition Program
- Team Building Facilitator



- Prepared & led by recreation officer
- Fun and interactive
- Includes everyone (even parents!)
- Add a snack for social time

15-20 Minutes

Recreation



Recreation

- Utilize Recreation Officer
- Consider a Recreation
 Committee
- Keep it FUN!
- Get up & Move
- Include a snack
- Invite Parents to join!









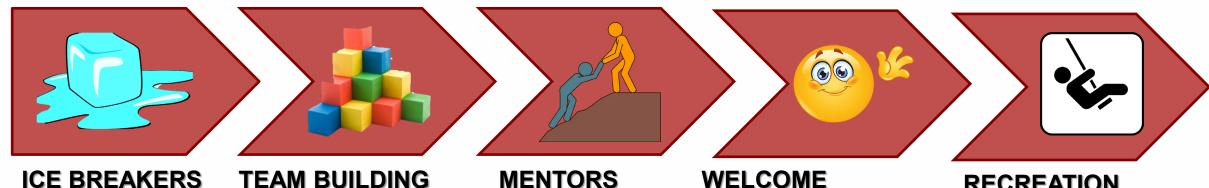
Best Practices for Effective 4-H Clubs

- Develop & <u>follow</u> a yearly club program plan
- Set meetings at a consistent date/time
- Communicate consistently & clearly
- Have "greeters" at the door to welcome families & instruct them on pre-meeting activities
- Welcome & introduce new members & visitors
- Advisors act as guides & coaches while officers provide leadership





Create a Welcoming Environment



ICE BREAKERS

Start off strong with a get to know you game!

Create a sense of community through interactive activities.

Provide connections between new & established members.

WELCOME COMMITTEE

A group working together to create a welcoming environment at the beginning of meetings.

RECREATION

Finish strong with a closing game or activity usually created by the recreation leader.

Helpful Resources

- Making the Best 4-H Clubs Better Version 2.0
 - adams.osu.edu
- Ohio 4-H Volunteer Handbook
 - ohio4h.org/volunteers/volunteers/club-leaders
- Ohio 4-H Officer Resources
 - ohio4h.org/families/members/officer-resources
- What happens at 4-H club meetings?
 - msue.anr.msu.edu/news/what_happens_at_4_h_club_m eetings





So how do you think you're doing?

- 4-H Club Assessment Tool
 - We will not take time to complete this tonight – I encourage you to complete it as a Club Advisor Team to see how your club is doing.

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4-H CLUB ASSESSMENT

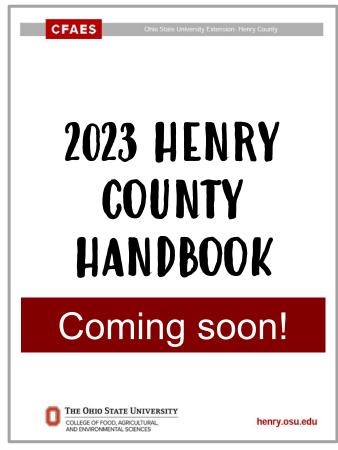
How do we serve as caring adults?					
Club Check List	Almost Always	Sometimes	Hardly Ever		
Praise all members.	2	1	0		
Treat all members with respect.	2	1	0		
Expect members to respect each other.	2	1	0		
Know all members – pronounce & spell names correctly.	2	1	0		
Listen when members are talking.	2	1	0		
Treat all members fairly do not play favorites.	2	1	0		
Set reasonable guidelines to follow.	2	1	0		
Actively involve members in the club.	2	1	0		
Encourage all members to achieve.	2	1	0		
Share club, county, regional and state events and opportunities.	2	1	0		

How do we provide a welcoming environment?				
Club Check List	Almost Always	Sometimes	Hardly Ever	
Involve members in get to know activities. Use icebreakers and mixers.	2	1	0	
Recognize members for effort and meeting goals not just winning.	2	1	0	
Encourage club identity and spirit through club logos and clothing.	2	1	0	
Orient new members & families to the club. Take them under your wing.	2	1	0	
Actively seek diversity	2	1	0	
Encourage creative thinking and show appreciation for sharing ideas.	2	1	0	
Regularly give positive feedback to members.	2	1	0	
Provide time for adults and youth to get acquainted.	2	1	0	
Value the opinions of members.	2	1	0	
Ask members if they have questions at every opportunity and answer them with a smile.	2	1	0	

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Materials you are receiving today:

- 2023 Family Guides
- 2023 Henry County 4-H Calendars
 - Please check out our website:
 - henry.osu.edu > 4-H Youth Development > Calendar of Events





How can I find updated information?

- Facebook
 - facebook.com/groups.henryco4hrocks
- Website
 - henry.osu.edu
 - Working on a more "user-friendly" website
- Henry County 4-H Blog
 - Think 4-H News & Notes meets 4-H Flashes, except online
 - Members must subscribe or contact the office to subscribe
 - https://u.osu.edu/henry4h/

Happy Housekeeping

This year's 2023 Henry County Fair theme is:

FOR 170 YEARS!







- Program Updates...
- ALL steps for 4-H Online enrollment are on the Blog under "Join 4-H"
- FairEntry
 - Will be using this system in 2023 for our sale!
- Fair Check-In
 - ALL Livestock Exhibitors (including horses) will be required to check in at the Jr Fair Office on Wednesday's Check-In
 - This will check in ALL projects & confirm Animal IDs. This helps us in having all appropriate information on Wednesday to build out showbills in a timely manner!





Program Updates....



• PRICE INCREASE ON ALL 4-H PROJECT BOOKS NOW \$8.00 PER BOOK







- Program Updates....
- NEW IN 2023
 - [REVISED] Rabbit Project & Record Book (228) All ages
 - Your Feelings Matter (360) Beginner
 - You're Hired! (386) Advanced
 - Cooking On My Own (476) (Replacing "You're the Chef") Advanced
 - Robotics Essentials (509) Intermediate
 - Ready Set... Mow! (544) Advanced
 - Self-Determined Digital Media Idea-Starter (365.00) All ages



Program Updates....

- What's leaving in 2023?
 - Horse Nutrition (762)
 - Robotics 1 with EV3
 - Robotics 2: EV3N More











Housekeeping – Quality Assurance

- Quality Assurance (QA) Opportunities
 - Returning in 2023: Area-wide QA Opportunities
 - The "Area 1" Educators have worked together to provide a total of 11 opportunities for our youth
 - Some are Virtual & some are In-Person
 - Pre-Registration is <u>required</u>
 - Henry County "Specie-Specific" Opportunities
 - Rabbit & Poultry PLUS Livestock Round-Up
 - Pre-Registration is required
 - *These all count as QA for HC members!*



Housekeeping – Quality Assurance

- Quality Assurance (QA) Opportunities
 - More information (including registration links) will be found on the website & Blog
 - 4-H Youth Development > Quality Assurance "QA"
 - Keep in mind when QA must be complete!
 - For participants going to the Ohio State Fair...
 - Deadline: June 6TH 2023
 - For exhibitors to exhibit at the **Henry County Fair**...
 - Deadline: June 25th, 2022





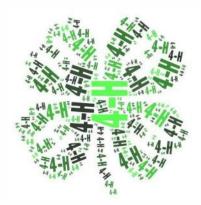
Housekeeping – Quality Assurance

- Livestock Specie Clinics
 - Saturday <u>April 8</u> Rabbit Clinic
 - 10:00a-12:00pm @ Crossroads Church
 - Tuesday <u>April 18</u> Poultry Clinic
 - 6:00-8:00pm @ {TBD}
 - Saturday May 13 Livestock Round-Up Clinic
 - @HC Fairgrounds
 - ➤ All programs require registration more information available on the website!



Housekeeping – Henry Co. Calendar

- Please note these changes...
 - -"New to 4-H" Member Meeting
 - Will now be an informational video accessible online
 - Horse Parent-Member Meeting
 - Will now be an informational video accessible online



Housekeeping – Henry Co. Calendar

- Dates to point out...
 - Officer Training #1
 - Tuesday March 21 at Crossroads Church
 - 6:00-7:00pm
 - Presidents, Vice Presidents & Secretaries
 - 7:00-8:00pm
 - Treasurers, Health & Safety Officers



Housekeeping – Henry Co. Calendar

- Dates to point out...
 - Officer Training #2
 - Tuesday March 28 at Crossroads Church
 - 6:00-7:00pm
 - Historians, News Reporters & Recreation Leaders



4-H Camps

- Henry County 4-H Horse Camp
 - May 19-20 @Henry Co. Fairgrounds
- Henry County 4-H Cloverbud Camp
 - June 6-8 @Henry Co. Fairgrounds
- Henry County 4-H Camp
 - June 21-25 @4-H Camp Palmer





Housekeeping – Skillathon

- Henry County Livestock Skillathons
 - Livestock Skillathons will be held at the Henry County Fair
 - Monday July 10
 - Horse, Sheep, Rabbits, Goats
 - Tuesday July 11
 - Swine, Poultry, Dairy, Beef
 - Official Times will be posted later in the season





- Creative & Leisure Arts, Food & Nutrition, and Clothing Judging
 - Wednesday July 12th
 - Location: Napoleon American Legion
 - 500 Glenwood Ave. Napoleon, OH
 - Official Times will be posted later in the season





- Special Interest & Shooting Sports
 - Thursday July 13th
 - Location: Napoleon American Legion
 - 500 Glenwood Ave. Napoleon, OH
 - Official Times will be posted later in the season





 Any member unable to attend Livestock Skillathon Judging MUST contact the office no later than JULY 7th

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- Alternative Livestock Judging will be held by virtual testing.
 Member MUST have notified the office NO LATER THAN
 Friday July 7th. These members WILL NOT be eligible for Outstanding Livestock Interviewers OR OLPE awards.
- Any Livestock members needing LIVE TESTING
 ACCOMODATIONS will be held BY APPOINTMENT ONLY and MUST contact the Extension Office



- Any member unable to attend Project/Special Interest Judging must contact the office no later than JULY 7th.
 - Alternative form of judging (FlipGrid) will be permitted only if the 4-H educator has been notified. Alternate judging will not be accepted after July 15th.

Housekeeping – Henry County Handbook

- Have you ever read it?
 - I hope so!
 - Review as an advisor
 - Can you help your club members?
 - Encourage your families to review it!
 - Encourage your 4-H
 members to read it!

2022 Henry County
4-H Handbook





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Housekeeping – Henry County Handbook

- UPDATES INCLUDE
 - Closer alignment
 from County to
 Ohio State Fair
 requirements
 - Fully updatedLivestock Section

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2022 Henry County 4-H Handbook





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Housekeeping – Henry County LIVESTOCK/JF UPDATES

- Last batch of updates for the 2023 season will be approved/denied later in January
 - Will have an updated listed sent via 4-Honline and plan on making a video walking through these changes!



NEW IN 2023!

- 4-H Open House Event
 - Utilizing as a Member recruitment tool!
 - Who will be there?
 - 4-H Youth members JLC, JFB, Counselors
 - Advisors grow your club!
 - Emily & Morgan



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Join us for our first, ever 4-H Open House! Stop by to check out what Henry County 4-H can do for you and your family! Just curious to see what 4-H is all about? You're more than welcome to see all the great things our Henry County 4-H'ers are doing too!

Bring this flyer

& be entered to

win a gift card!

Join us! <u>Wednesday January 25th, 2023</u> at the Emporium at One-Thirty from 4:00-7:00pm

- Come see current 4-H'ers share their 4-H experiences and knowledge gained through 4-H project work!
 Check out just a few of the more than 200 project books we offer.
 - Eat some tasty treats thanks to Henry County Junior Leadership Club
 - Find a 4-H club & register for 4-H at this event!
 - ❖ Youth 8 years old & under can check out fun Cloverbud Activities!



NEW and CURRENT 4-H families are welcome!

Walk through & check out all the amazing opportunities 4-H has to offer! Contact your local 4-H Office for more information.

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NEW IN 2023!

- 4-H Open House Event
 - What will be available?
 - Welcome table
 - Club information
 - Camp
 - Cloverbuds
 - Enrollment
 - 4-H Activities
 - Jr. Leadership Bake Sale!
 - Free-Will donation!



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I may still direct you to email me regardless

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